



Terwilliger Fire

Wildfire Fact Sheet

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Location: 5 miles southeast of Blue River, OR

Incident Command: Type 2 Northern Rockies Incident Management Team 4, Rick Connell, I.C.

Size: 7,572 acres

Containment: 17%

Personnel: 505

Current Status: Yesterday, fire behavior was active as low humidity left fuels dry and steady winds persisted. On the southern perimeter of the fire, it continued to grow and run up Hardy Ridge in rough terrain. The eastern front of the fire continued to exhibit active fire behavior cresting Sawtooth Ridge and creating a smoke column that settled into the McKenzie River valley corridor. Fire continues to move north from Basalt Creek. Due to extremely steep terrain, crews continue to engage this area indirectly with burnout operations and aerial support while reinforcing contingency lines along the nearby roadway. Aerial resources assisted the Ranger District on a new fire start within the fire scar of the 2017 Separation Fire.

Planned Actions: Fire behavior is expected to moderate today as humidity recovery will be significant for fuels on the ground. Crews will work to hold and strengthen existing control lines established along nearby roadways. Efforts will be made to expand both hand and heavy machinery lines along the Southwestern perimeter of the fire. The line constructed along the western perimeter protecting the Campbell Global property will see active operations and enlarge the contingency lines. The southern perimeter will be engaged directly when possible to do safely while in difficult terrain. Progress is being made in this area, but it is slow. Efforts will continue to find and establish contingency lines for this section of the fire.

Key Message: Over Labor Day weekend, visitors are expected to arrive and fill many local campgrounds. Closures and campfire bans will remain in place during this time. With fire activity being high and fire danger at very high for the Willamette National Forest, campfires are banned forest-wide, including at developed sites and in all wilderness areas. In addition to a ban on all campfires, smoking is not allowed, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or a developed recreation site. Camp stoves that run on propane or liquid fuels and have an on/off switch are acceptable. For information on fire activity on the Willamette National Forest ranging from fire danger levels, public use restrictions, and official closures visit <https://www.fs.usda.gov/alerts/willamette/alerts-notice>.

Closures: Willamette National Forest has implemented closure order # 06-18-01-18-17. Go to <http://go.usa.gov/xRnz7> for more details, a map and a link to the Forest Order, or on [Inciweb](https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/) for a map and a pdf of the original Forest Order.

Temporary Flight Restrictions: Temporary flight restrictions (TFR) are in effect around the entire fire area. Remember, that temporary flight restrictions also apply to unmanned aircraft systems (drones). **If you fly, we can't!**

Air Quality: For smoke monitoring information, see Oregon Department of Environmental Quality <https://oraqi.deq.state.or.us/home/map> or <https://oregonsmoke.blogspot.com/> or <http://www.lrapa.org>

Cooperating Agencies: US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Oregon Department of Forestry, McKenzie River Fire Department, Lane County Sheriff's Office, Lane County Emergency Management, US Army Corps of Engineers, Oregon Department of Transportation, Oregon State Fire Marshall, Campbell Global, Lane Regional Air Protection Agency.